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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 6951 NOTE PREPARED: May 6, 2011 BILL NUMBER: SB 306 BILL AMENDED: Apr 29, 2011

SUBJECT: Boat Patrol Grants.

FIRST AUTHOR: Sen. Buck BILL STATUS: Enrolled

FIRST SPONSOR: Rep. Dodge

FUNDS AFFECTED: GENERAL IMPACT: State & Local

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<u>Summary of Legislation:</u> Requesting a Grant. This bill provides that, for purposes of applying for a grant from the boat patrol needs fund, a fiscal body of a county may submit an estimated budget request to the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) if the county sheriff does not request a grant.

Itemized Receipts. The bill provides that itemized receipts of expenditures of granted money must be submitted for inspection by the DNR upon request.

County Audit. Upon request of the DNR, the county auditor shall conduct an audit of an account in which the grant money was deposited.

Minimum Qualifications. All individuals providing law enforcement services funded by a grant, whether under the authority of the county sheriff or contracted by the fiscal body, must meet certain minimum law enforcement training requirements.

Effective Date: July 1, 2011.

Explanation of State Expenditures: The bill will have no significant impact on the DNR.

Explanation of State Revenues:

<u>Explanation of Local Expenditures:</u> *Itemized Receipts.* The impact of providing itemized receipts of expenditures of granted money upon request of the DNR will depend on the record-keeping at the local level.

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County Audit. This provision could increase administrative expenses by a minimal amount for local units if the DNR requests an audit.

Minimum Qualifications. Requiring that individuals providing law enforcement services funded by a grant must meet certain training requirements could result in an increase in expenditures for counties if the minimum requirements reduce the pool of applicants and increase the compensation required.

<u>Explanation of Local Revenues:</u> Requesting a Grant. This provision could result in counties and municipalities receiving grants that they might not otherwise receive. The specific impact will depend on local action and grants awarded by the DNR.

State Agencies Affected: DNR.

Local Agencies Affected: Counties eligible for special boat patrol grants.

Information Sources: DNR.

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